12. *Unani Daviakhanas and Ayurvedic Vaidyasalas.*—The total number of patients treated in the several Unani and Ayurvedic and Medical Institutions in the State during the year was 705,597 against 704,449 in the previous year. Government sanctioned the opening of a combined Ayurvedic and Unani Dispensary at Shimoga during the year in connection with the scheme of opening such dispensaries at District Headquarters.

13. *Income and expenditure.*—The total expenditure incurred was Rs. 10,45,545 as particularised below:—

	1923	1924
	Rs.	Rs.
Salaries	6,35,310	6,34,657
Medicines	1,33,840	1,21,988
Diet	1,09,283	1,23,561
Miscellaneous charges ...	1,17,984	1,07,701
Buildings and repairs ...	21,111	17,645
Investment	24,276	39,993

This was met from (1) State Grant of Rs. 8,02,742, (2) contributions from District and Municipal Funds amounting to Rs. 2,02,810 and miscellaneous items amounting to Rs. 39,993, being mostly the fees recovered from private patients.

14. All the Medical Institutions in the State, except four in the Kadur District, were inspected by the District Medical Officers concerned, and 7 institutions were inspected by the Senior Surgeon. Steps should be taken to have all the institutions inspected at least once a year.

15. The administration of the Department during the year was satisfactory.

B. NAGAPPA,
Secretary to Government,
Local and Legislative Departments.

Boards of Visitors.

READ—

Letter No. G. C. 385, dated the 17—18th June 1925, from the Senior Surgeon in Mysore, submitting proposals for the appointment of Boards of Visitors to the Victoria and the Minto Ophthalmic Hospitals at Bangalore and to the Krishnarajendra Hospital, Mysore, and suggesting the functions that may be assigned to these Boards.

2. Letter No. G. C. 385-8, dated the 21st July 1925, from the Senior Surgeon in Mysore, suggesting certain modifications in the personnel of the Boards in question, for reasons given.

ORDER No. L. 1800-801—MED. 82-24-8, DATED 7TH SEPTEMBER 1925.

A scheme for the appointment of Boards of Visitors to important Hospitals in the State has been engaging the attention of Government for some time and the Senior Surgeon was accordingly requested to submit proposals for the appointment of such Boards for the two important Hospitals, *viz.*, Victoria and Minto Ophthalmic Hospitals at Bangalore and the Krishnarajendra Hospital at Mysore to begin with. Meantime, in connection with the cut motion brought forward by Mr. Mahomed Abbas Khan and four other members of the Legislative Council, at the last meeting of the said Council, for reducing the expenditure under "21 Medical," in the State budget for 1925-26, the desirability of appointing such a Board for the Victoria and Krishnarajendra Hospitals was also suggested. The members were informed that the matter was already under consideration.

Government have now considered the proposals submitted by the Senior Surgeon and are pleased to approve of the constitution of the Boards as finally recommended by him for the three Institutions in question as noted below:—

1. FOR THE VICTORIA AND THE MINTO OPHTHALMIC HOSPITALS, BANGALORE.

(1) Rajasabhabhushana Sir K. P. Puttanna Chetty, KT., C.I.E. (Convenor).
(2) Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, B.A., President, District Board, Bangalore.
(3) „ G. Paramasivaiya, B.A., LL.B., Advocate, Bangalore.
(4) „ B. K. Garudachar, Bangalore.
(5) The President, City Municipal Council, Bangalore (*Ex-officio*).

2. FOR THE KRISHNARAJENDRA HOSPITAL, MYSORE.

(1) Lokahitaishi H. Nanjundaraj Urs, Mysore (Convenor).
(2) Mr. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, Mysore.
(3) „ Aga Mahomed Abbas Shustry, Assistant Professor, Maharaja's College, Mysore.
(4) „ H. C. Dasappa, B.A., B.L., Advocate, Mysore.
(5) The President, City Municipal Council, Mysore (*Ex-officio*).

The duties of the Board shall be as described in the appendix attached to the order.

Government are also pleased to direct that except in the case of *Ex-officio* members, the term of office of each member shall be fixed for two years subject to their eligibility for reappointment.

B. NAGAPPA,
Secretary to Government,
Local and Legislative Departments.

DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

1. The Boards shall visit the Hospitals once a month on a date to be fixed by them and preferably, the third Saturday of every month, in the morning, between eight and ten.

2. No business will be transacted by the Board unless at least three members are present.

3. The Medical Officer in charge of the Hospitals will send notice of the date of visit to the Members of the Board a week in advance.

4. It will be the duty of the Board to hold enquiry into complaints from the public against the working of the institution in so far as it may relate to the convenience and comfort of the patients or to the popularity and usefulness of the institution and to make suitable recommendations to the Senior Surgeon.

5. Other matters cognisable by the Board will be such as pertain to sanitation, adequacy or otherwise of accommodation, hours of hospital attendence for out-patients, whether there is any delay in attending to patients, and such other matters (excluding those of a purely professional nature) as affect the well-being of the patients.

6. The Board is not expected to interfere in any way with the disciplinary control of the Medical Officer over the staff of the Hospital or with any work or records of a purely professional nature.

7. The Medical Officer in charge will be bound to afford facilities to the Board by complying with all reasonable requisition for information, etc., and will be himself present at the meeting, if called upon to do so.

8. The Board may submit their recommendations and proposals for improving the usefulness of these institutions to the Secretary to Government in the Local and Legislative Departments.

REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Remissions and Suspensions of assessment in the Kolar District.

READ—

Government Order No. R. 3748-58—L. R. 502-17-10, dated the 4th February 1922, issuing revised rules regarding suspensions and remissions of wet assessment under Tanks.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No. D. 28—24-25, dated the 15th—21st July 1925, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore submitting certain proposals in regard to the remissions and suspensions of assessment for 1924-25 in the affected parts of the Kolar District.

ORDER No. R. 776-8—R. M. 31-24-46, DATED THE 14—17TH AUGUST 1925.

In view of the inadequate supply of water to many tanks during the year 1924-25 and of the seasonal conditions during the past three years having been bad so far as wet lands are concerned the Revenue Commissioner reports that the economic condition of the raiyats in the Kolar District is poor and that according to the recommendation of the Deputy Commissioner, he has sanctioned the suspension in seven taluks of a sum of Rs. 23,778-8-0 being half the wet assessment during 1924-25, under the terms of Government Order, dated 4th February 1922, read above. He has also recommended the following further concessions for sanction of Government:—

(1) Suspension of half bagayet assessment amounting to Rs. 2,208-8-0, for 1924-25 in the affected parts of Bagepalli Taluk.